

SLOSSON THE VICTOR.

BE DEFEATS JAKE SCHAEFER IN A GREAT BILLIARD GAME.

"The Student" won by Fifty-one Points, with an Average of Thirty—The Final was So Exciting that the Spectators Could Not Keep Their Seats—Schaefer Made the Highest Run and Had to Take Tops—Schaefer and Ives Will Meet Tonight.

The oldtimers of billiards had a chance to shout enthusiastically over the game that was played in the Madison Square Garden concert hall last night. It was the second battle of the "Big Three," and the contestants were Jacob Schaefer and George F. Slosson, who were experts at straight-ball billiards when Frank C. Ives, the representative of modern prowess, was still a boyish novice.

The combination that gathered to watch the battle was the same fine representative gathering of lovers of the gentleman's game that witnessed the opening game between Ives and Slosson. Ladies again graced the private boxes, and evinced a lively interest in the exhibition. In one respect the meeting of the older stars had greater interest than Monday night's great game. Slosson wanted to square himself for the defeat at the hands of Schaefer at the Lenox Lyceum, Jan. 22, 1892. The championship that is now a back number was also involved. Schaefer won the game by a score of 800 to 592, averaging 23 18-34, and made a high run of 155, which, since the advent of Ives as a star of the first magnitude, must be classed as a sort of back-number game. Slosson's high run was 110 and his average 171-33. The interest of the spectators was intense, and the two, who had nearly beaten Slosson in the Lenox Hall tourney, playing eight-inch to Slosson's fourteen-inch ball line, challenged Schaefer and beat him. About the same period Ives knocked out Schaefer at Chicago, playing fourteen-inch ball line.

Schaefer and Slosson would have met before last night, but for the accident that ended in the breaking of Schaefer's wrist. That accident gave Ives a chance to jump in and upset all arrangements by showing himself a master of the art of almost invincible prowess. Billiard lovers of the present generation will be interested in knowing that both Schaefer and Slosson hold championship emblems, by virtue of defending them against all comers so long that they became the owners of the trophy, and now own the straight-ball emblem and the trophy of eight-inch ball line. Slosson was the medal of superiority in the former game, while Ives was the latter. In the former he was the champion of the world, and in the latter he was the champion of the Americas.

The entries for Wednesday follow:

FOR THE A. A. U. TO CONSIDER.

The Organization Should Agree Suggestions and Do Less Fighting.

To the EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: The interesting and suggestive letters on the game of football that have recently appeared in THE SUN give rise to the idea that such a discussion about field and track athletics would help to lift this branch of sport from the depths into which it has fallen within the past two years.

The A. A. U. does not seem disposed to do anything that will create interest in these matters. It is too busy punishing infractions of its present laws and fighting other associations. When the proposition was made last spring to abolish the "individual excellence" prize and re-establish the team prizes, the A. A. U. seems to have been the only one to have since forced the accomplishment of the first part of the proposition. This, that, and the other that was done at the last meeting of the union to secure the adoption of what measures were adopted that really could be said to have promoted interest in field and track athletics.

We all know that it is easy to criticize from outside the breastworks, but it does seem that the A. A. U. is at a standstill, and the equivalent of receding. What it lacks most is suggestiveness, not an easy quality to command. The A. A. U. is the American football committee, and has been at a loss to find a way to promote interest in football. There was considerable discussion between the two rivals over the question, but it happily ended in the acceptance of the proposition by the A. A. U. It is frequently a competitor against Orville Oddie, and other amateurs in Brooklyn tournaments. District Attorneys, police commissioners, and other expert experts who were delighted at the speedy settlement of the referee trouble. Bud Seelye, who was related to the A. A. U., as marker.

Slosson won the handball on Monday night selected the white ball. He again made the difficult count on the open side, and then, after a few points, put up a harder game to beat that Frank with his ball-to-ball billiards.

Slosson made his warm cardigan for the opening stroke. In four shots he had got the globes into position, and was soon juggling with a half-line purpose. The ball was a good deal of a hindrance, and had a stroll in Central Park before he got to the ball. He was apparently feeling in fine feather. He said just before the start that he considered himself a ringer man to beat that Ives, the boy phenomenon. "Jake plays a good deal stronger on the open side, and Ives is a good player, but Ives is not a hard ball player." Slosson's opening was the offering of twin fillies. They were Bonnie Lee and Bonny Louise, played June 13, 1891. The sisters are jet black, the same height, 15½ hands, and broken to single and double harness. They made a handsome picture as they stood side by side to be sold. Sir Redemund Cameron, looking at the pair with delight, remarked that he would give \$300 for the twins, but they cost him more than double that price. They ran up briskly to \$500. Mr. Cameron got the fillies at that price.

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the sides were breathing hard for him. He had a hard time of it in the fourteenth inning, but lost it almost directly. He got down to nursery work after long time, took a great deal of time, and was beaten to the cause. He made 100 and started after Slosson's high run of 123. The moment he had caught and passed him, every man of us, and even his mother, thought he had done it. He got just four more than Slosson's run, making 127. The score now stood Schaefer 100, Slosson 127.

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